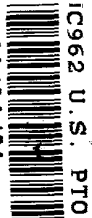


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

[X] Continuation [] Division [] Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

application of U.S. Serial No. 09/611,722 filed July 6, 2000, which is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/244,984 filed on February 4, 1999, which claims the priority benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/117,476 filed on January 27, 1999, U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/135,499 filed on March 30, 1998, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/073,709 filed on February 4, 1998. The above-identified copending prior application is neither patented or abandoned. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuation application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- [X] Petition for One Month Extension of Time (1 page).
- [X] Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document from Parent Application Serial No. 09/244,984 (2 pages); and Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document from Parent U.S. Patent No. 5,830,742 (4 pages);
- [X] Preliminary Amendment (6 pages), including marked-up version (79 pages) and clean version section replacements (79 pages).
- [X] Associate Power of Attorney for Brian McCaslin (1page)

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☒ Copy of Specification, Claims, Abstract (91 pages), and Drawings (7 sheets).

☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney from Parent (9 pages).

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c).

☐ Submission of Sequence Listing Under 37 CFR § 1.821(e)

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